

**NORTH WILTSHIRE ORIENTEERS, HAYDON WICK REGIONAL URBAN EVENT**  
**SOUTHERN ENGLAND URBAN ORIENTEERING LEAGUE**  
**SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – FINAL DETAILS**

**Summary**

EMIT electronic punching.

Map 1:5,000 on A3+ and A4 waterproof paper. Contours 2.5m. Loose control descriptions at the Start.

Control descriptions also shown on maps.

Assembly next to car park. Starts are a maximum of 300m from Assembly. .

Where crossing points are marked on the map, they must be used. There are no timed out crossings.

Juniors are advised to carry whistles.

Beginners and families are encouraged to do Course 6 and 7 both of which are off road. They can turn up on the day or contact the organizer on 07841 381301 to reserve a map.

Registration from 10:00. Starts 1030 to 1230. Courses close at 14:30. Punching start.

**Location, parking and Assembly**

Parking and assembly are at Moulton Hill Country Park at Grid SU118877 (nearest postcode SN25 1FB) with entry to the site from A4198 Thamesdown Drive. Event will be signed from the Taw Hill junction of the A4198.

Parking is in a field and so may not be appropriate for vehicles with low ground clearance. **Entry to the park is via a barrier with a 2.1m height restriction.**

Solo travelers must leave car keys at Registration.

**Course Details**

Control descriptions will be printed on the map. Courses 6 and 7 will have written descriptions, all other courses will have IOF descriptions. Loose control descriptions will be available at the Start.

<b>Courses:</b>	<b>Classes:</b>	<b>Length</b>	<b>Climb</b>	<b>Ctrls</b>
1	Men open.	6.6km	60m	27
2	Men Veteran (M40+), Women open.	5.5km	60m	21
3	Men Super Veteran (M55+), Women Veteran (W40+).	4.3km	65m	17
4	Men Ultra Veteran (M65+), Women Super Veteran (W55+).	3.2km	40m	16
5	Men Hyper Veteran (M75+), Women Ultra Veteran (W65+), Women's Hyper Veteran (W75+)	2.4km	30m	11
6	Men Junior (M16-), Women Junior (W16-).	3.8km	30m	20
7	Men Young Junior (M12-), Women Young Junior (W12-).	2km	5m	14

**Entry on Day Charges**

Senior: £12

Students/Juniors: £5

Families on Courses 6&7: £5

**EMIT Hire: £1-50. Lost Card: £51**

## **Terrain**

Haydon Wick is an urban expansion to the west of Swindon comprising housing, parkland and village centres which provide a variety of going and lots of route choice. It lies adjacent to a country park with a mixture of open land and woods. Junior courses will be off road. This is a new map and this is the first event to make use of it.

Being an urban event, there will be a number of roads that must be followed or crossed. Courses have generally been planned to use underpasses and overbridges to cross the busiest roads. However, where crossing points are marked on the map, they must be used. Elsewhere, the Highway Code should be complied with when crossing roads.

There are rivers and ponds within the mapped area. The routes do not require them to be crossed and so they must not be entered.

The site is open to the public and so potential exists for public and dogs to be onsite (including off leads) and therefore dog mess. Mouldon Hill Country Park is popular with walkers, cyclists, runners and loose children, therefore runners should take care and be considerate to other members of the public. There is also potential for ticks and associated lyme disease through presence of deer.

## **Planners Notes:**

Many controls have been located in dense residential areas. Please be considerate to members of the public and their property, especially any parked cars.

On Course 1 and Course 3 there is a potential route between controls crossing a stream. Competitors are warned that whilst this stream is crossable you will get wet in doing so therefore an alternative route may be preferable.

There is a construction site which is fenced off due to highway remodelling works to the north east of control 126 which has been marked out of bounds and may be passed on Courses 1, 2, 3 and 4. It does not affect route choice. At the time of sending maps to printing, the works have not been completed. However, there is a chance that the construction will be complete on the day of the event and therefore the map wrong in this location, hence the out of bounds will remain marked to give warning.

Junior courses may choose routes which go through woodland. Due to the time of year, vegetation is variable and in some locations nettle growth is significant. Whilst courses avoid these, leg covering is advised.

Senior courses are entirely within urban areas and leg covering is not required.

## **Electronic punching**

The event will use EMIT electronic punching. Pre-booked EMIT cards should be picked up from Registration prior to going to the Start. A demonstration control will be available outside registration. Entry on Day competitors will be given a registration form at the car park entrance and this should be completed prior to going to registration. EOD will be subject to availability of maps.

It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that their card has been activated at the Start and that they obtain a correct punch at controls, including a backup pin mark on the backup card, by placing their card flat onto the control bed. There will be no reinstatement without evidence of punching on the backup card.

## **Finish**

The route from the final control to download will be taped. Competitors on Courses 1 to 5 should take care when crossing a major road. Finishes will be manned.

All competitors MUST report to Download even if they retire.

## **Feedback**

We encourage competitors to set up their routes on Routegadget after the event, in order to provide feedback to the Planner and Controller on how the courses were executed. Any specific feedback comments can be made to the planner on the day or sent to the organizer ([lawandrew71@yahoo.com](mailto:lawandrew71@yahoo.com)) after the event.

## **Facilities**

Toilets, Water and First Aid available in Assembly.

## **First Aid**

First aid will be available in assembly. Anyone needing A&E treatment should either be taken to the Great Western Hospital Swindon under arrangements made by the organizer/first aid or an ambulance called via emergency number 999. A route card will be held at registration. The distance is approx 10 miles.

## **Dogs**

Well behaved dogs are allowed at the event if kept under control by their owners.

## **Cancellation**

In the event of severe weather, information as to whether or not the event will go ahead will be placed on this NWO website <http://www.northwilts.org.uk/>

## **Thanks**

We are grateful to Swindon Council for their permission.

## **Officials**

Controller : Greg Best (NGOC).

Planner : Rob Buckby, NWO.

Organiser : Andrew Law, NWO. (Mobile 07841381301).